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17 June 1953

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1. Instructed [REDACTED] that in the future this Office would coordinate and submit to the Department of Defense lists of administrative points of contact in CIA which have heretofore originated from the Logistics Office.

2. Since Mr. Broadbent, Bureau of the Budget, has not contacted me as promised, and since I have been unsuccessful in an attempt to contact him, I have suggested to Mr. Dulles that he telephone Mr. Dodge and request that some positive action be taken toward securing an existing building for CIA.

3. At Mr. Dulles' request, instructed Ed Saunders that in the future a "UV" voucher prepared for the Director's signature should be signed by the DD/A and that the transmittal memorandum should indicate the voucher number as a precaution against the two becoming separated.

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4. Approved of travel orders for two of Mr. Saunders' people to go to [REDACTED] respectively, inasmuch as accounts at [REDACTED] are in such condition that they are not reconcilable with our records here. As long as they are going, they will stop at [REDACTED] This has been coordinated with and is, in fact, at the request of the area division.

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5. Reviewed the covert consultant list [REDACTED] Special Contracting Officer, and have forwarded it to the Director's Office.

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6. Reviewed [REDACTED] space plan and believe that it is all right. It has been concurred in by interested components; however, I must clear part of it with the DD/I inasmuch as it has become necessary since his concurrence to reduce the space which he will get in the Central Building by 800 square feet. (On 18 June I discussed this with Bob Amory who offered no objection.)

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7. I have requested [REDACTED] to make a study of the problems involved and to submit recommendations as to whether or not we should establish a cost accounting system in the Reproduction Plant. I am convinced that this should be done.

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9. I advised Matt Baird [REDACTED] that with the understanding that the determination had already been made by the Director to proceed with Project [REDACTED] I was satisfied with the latest staff study (which proposes to locate this Project [REDACTED]) with the exception of the suggested letter to the Secretary of Defense which, I felt, should be substantially revised.

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10. At General Cabell's request I obtained a copy of the cable from Admin- [REDACTED] in which he indicates that he has serious reservations in connection with this Project. In view of this, I contemplate telling General Cabell that we are inclined to agree with the Senior Representative's views.

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11. I advised [REDACTED] that there was a discussion at the Career Service Board Steering Committee Meeting on Monday indicating dissatisfaction with the manner in which personnel returning [REDACTED] are being handled. He indicated that he had not heard of this and believed that such criticism was probably not justified but stated that he would talk to Mr. Kirkpatrick about it.

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12. Larry Houston and Shef Edwards brought in a letter (which had been given to them by Mr. Dulles) from the Interdepartmental Committee on Internal Security calling for a report with price tags placed on the various defense measures within CIA. I assigned responsibility for preparation of the reply to Ed Saunders. However, Larry Houston and I will meet with General Bull (who is serving on a committee to which this report will eventually go) at 1400 tomorrow in order to clarify in our minds just what is wanted.

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13. [REDACTED] of TSS came to see me about several problems. I declined to approve of a request to turn in a \$21,000 printing press which TSS had bought for \$17,000 and purchase a new press for something less than this. Asked him to discuss the matter with [REDACTED]

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14. Ed Saunders and Larry Houston were in to talk to me about the case of [REDACTED] I advised Mr. Kirkpatrick, who has obtained the Director's approval to spend certain funds in this case, that the Comptroller, General Counsel, and I would recommend to the Director that he not take this action. Mr. Kirkpatrick requested that I meet with him and the Director to discuss this matter tomorrow morning, which I will do; I have asked Mr. Wolf to participate.

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15. I telephoned [REDACTED] advising him that I regretted very much that we would be unable to find any place for him in CIA at this time. He was quite lengthy in his conversation and I was somewhat surprised to learn that he knew so much about how CIA was organized, who occupied certain key positions, etc.

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16. I attempted to reach [REDACTED] to advise him that we would be unable to offer him a job and learned that he would be out of town for several days.

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